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In re Application of: Hillman et al.

Title: A NOVEL PROSTATE-ASSOCIATED KALLIKREIN

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) REQUEST
UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

Madam:

The present application is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) application of U.S. Application Number 09170,980 (the '980 application), filed October 13, 1998. A Notice of Appeal was filed in the '980 application on October 17, 2002, and received by the USPTO on October 21, 2002. This RCE application is being filed *in lieu* of a Brief on Appeal. Applicants hereby request a 1-month extension of time in order to file this co-pending Request for Continued Examination application. Authorized fees include the statutory fee of \$110.00 for a 1-month extension of time, as well as the application fee of \$750.00.

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the instant application.

Applicants continue to request that the current Restriction Requirement (Group I, polypeptides) continue to be examined in the new RCE application filed January 21, 2003.

Applicants request that the application be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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